

EXCLUSIVE: New pics from moments before, after blasts



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BOSTON (WHDH) -- Photos sent to 7News by a viewer show the scene just before and right after the bombs went off on Boylston Street.

7News has provided these pictures to the FBI as they continue their investigation. They are looking at the pictures to see if it's possible it could be the second bomb.

In the first picture you can see a bag next to a mailbox and up against a barricade along the marathon route. In the second, which we have blurred because it is very graphic, there is no sign of the bag. The viewer who took the pictures says there may be an hour or more between when the first and second pictures were taken.



A different series of pictures sent to 7News by another viewer have been handed over to the FBI as well.

A man took the images from his office above Boylston Street and they show the moments right after one of the explosions.

You can see almost everyone is frozen, a many crouching on the ground, stunned or injured. But one man is acting

very differently from everyone else. You can see he is running away from the scene.

Investigators talked to the man who took the pictures.

“One after another, you see this individual really fleeing from the scene, which is either for one or two reasons. So either he was badly burned and panicked, and fleeing, or he was fleeing for some other reason,” said the man who took the photos.

These are the kind of pictures the FBI is looking for as they gather information in their investigation.

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Check out the security gate wrapped around the mailbox, it's blasted outward, away from the "Forum" - I would say that is inconsistent where the bag was in the before pic...

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We don't know if people moved the gate to make way for personnel so the gate wrapped that way could be because people pushed the gate out of the way. If there was a an hour delay between pics lots of things change. The last statement clearly says, "The viewer who took the pictures says there may be an hour or more between when the first and second pictures were taken."

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those fences would take a LOT of force to bend; and it looks practically molded to the mailbox...

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You take 5 people standing behind the gate, place a bomb behind them, and that blast would throw the victims into the mailbox (bending gate with them) and disperse the bodies out onto the street. Otherwise, the blast probably would pass thru the gate for the most part.

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Depends on what it's made out of and where the weld joints are.

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They're made from tubular aluminum. A single person could not bend them. A mass of a couple dozen people falling against it could.

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**Leeroy Jack Knife** · Bldr Republicn • 5 days ago

Hey, take a look at all of these detectives in the comment section. Looks like you guys have this case all figured out. I'll notify the authorities for you.

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**keengkong** · Leeroy Jack Knife • 5 days ago

There's nothing wrong with amateurs offering their opinions. The more minds on this the better. The experts can decide what's valuable.

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I get your point, I honestly do. But I doubt the FBI and HLS is flipping through comment sections for intel. No sarcasm intended.

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